St Peter ad Vincula

Wisborough Green



Annual Parochial Church Meeting

26th April 2026

Documentation Pack

St Peter ad Vincula, Wisborough Green

Agenda for the Annual Vestry Meeting to elect Churchwardens And the Annual Parochial Church Meeting 2026

Sunday 26th April 2026- 12.00 noon in the Church

Opening Prayers

Annual Vestry Meeting

1. Election of Churchwardens

Annual Parochial Church Meeting

1. Apologies for absence
2. Minutes of the APCM dated 6th April 2025
3. Matters arising (not on the current agenda)
4. Election of parochial representatives of the laity to the Parochial Church Council
5. Parish Reports:

Questions are welcome from parishioners whose names are entered on the roll of the parish with regard to the following reports received from the Parochial Church Council:

(a) Annual Report on the proceedings of the Parochial Church Council and the Financial Statements of the Parochial Church Council for the year end 31st December 2025
Motion: *'That the Accounts for 2025, as inspected by Mr. Christopher Edwards (Independent Examiner), be accepted as a true statement of accounts of the Parish Church of St Peter ad Vincula, Wisborough Green, for the year end 31st December 2025*
Motion: *'That Mr. Christopher Edwards be re-appointed as the Independent Examiner of Accounts for St Peter ad Vincula for the* ***year-end 31st December 2026'***

(b) Vicar's Report

(c) Electoral Roll report

(d) A report on the Fabric and Goods & Ornaments of the Church

(e) A report on the proceedings of the Petworth Deanery Synod

The following reports can also be found in the APCM Booklet and are to be noted

Bellringers	Communications	
Flower Arrangers	Home Group & Christian Education	
House Group	Messy Church	Mission Action Plan
Music	Music Group	Prayer Group
Sacristans	Safeguarding	St Peter's Luncheon Club
Pastoral Care Team	Triple Mission	Wizzy Tots
Xpresso		

6. Stewardship
7. Any Other Business

The Grace

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St Peter ad Vincula, Wisborough Green

ANNUAL REPORT

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OF THE

PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

For the year ended 31 December 2025

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The Church of St Peter ad Vincula, Wisborough Green, West Sussex RH14 0DZ

Incumbent: Interregnum

Independent examiner: Mr. Christopher Edwards, Durbans, Wisborough Green

Bankers: The Co-operative Bank, Southway, Skelmersdale

Registered Charity no: 1133950

The Parish Church of St Peter ad Vincula

in the benefice of Wisborough Green

Minutes of the Annual Parochial Church Meeting Sunday 6th April 2025

The meeting started at 12.45 p.m. with the Rev Clive Jenkins in the chair and attended by the churchwarden and 27 members of the congregation.

ANNUAL VESTRY MEETING

Election of Churchwarden
Rev Jenkins opened the Vestry Meeting.

Election of Churchwarden – Rev. Clive Jenkins said that Henrietta Warwick has agreed to continue as Churchwarden for the coming year. He also asked if anyone would be prepared to stand as either a Churchwarden or deputy Churchwarden. Unfortunately, no one came forward at the meeting. It was proposed by Jamie Daniell, seconded by Angela Craddock that Henrietta Warwick be appointed as Churchwarden with all in favour. Clive Jenkins thanked Henrietta for all her work during the year.
The Vestry Meeting closed at 12.50 p.m.

ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING

1. Apologies for absence

Apologies were received from Dave Foxon, Gill Cooper, Val Mourilyan, Anthony Nicholls, and Gill Parish.

2. Minutes of the APCM. 21/04/24

The Minutes of the meeting held on the 21st April 2024 had been circulated prior to the meeting. There were no questions, so Dave Roberts proposed, and Rosemary Crafter seconded the motion to approve the Minutes as a true and accurate record of the meeting which was carried unanimously.

3. Matters arising

There were no matters arising.

4. Election of parochial representatives of the laity to the Parochial Church Council

Rev Jenkins said the current PCC members who have agreed to continue to serve as detailed on their respective nomination forms are Chris Harris, Jamie Daniell, Rosemary Crafter, Suzanne Mosley, Judy Moorey and Sue Nicholls. There were two further nominations, Juliet Ryall and Roland Zilz and a motion to elect all the nominees en bloc was proposed by Chris Edwards, seconded by Hilary Edmonds, and was carried unanimously by the meeting. Rev Jenkins thanked all those who had served and were continuing to serve on the PCC. Henrietta Warwick as Churchwarden is not an elected member of the PCC. With Marion Jenkins leaving the Parish in May there is a vacancy for a representative of the Deanery Synod.

5. Parish Reports

(a) Annual Report and Financial Statements Rev Jenkins confirmed that Jamie Daniell would continue to be Treasurer and asked the congregation if they had any questions to ask Jamie over the financial statements that had been circulated previously. Jamie thanked everyone for their continued financial support for the church and thanked Zoe Hall for her work with the book-

keeping. Geoffrey Venables asked if the accounts were going to still going to be separate when we became a united Benefice with Kirdford with Plaistow. Clive explained that when we became a United Benefice the finances would remain separate. The Parish Administrator, when appointed, would be working equally for Wisborough Green and Kirdford with Plaistow.

Since there were no further questions relating to the accounts, Helen Vause proposed and Jean Vinal seconded the motion 'That the Accounts for 2024, a as inspected by Christopher Edwards (Independent Examiner), are accepted as a true statement of accounts of the Parish Church of St. Peter ad Vincula, Wisborough Green for the year ended 31st December 2024'. The motion was carried unanimously.

Jamie Daniell proposed and Roland Zilz seconded the Motion 'That Christopher Edwards be re-appointed as the Independent Examiner of Accounts for St. Peter ad Vincula for the year-ending 31st December 2025'. The motion was carried unanimously.

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(b) Vicars Report—Clive Jenkins reported that he would be retiring on the 18th May 2025 and would therefore, be leaving the Parish. He reported on his ten years in Wisborough Green and said that both he and Marion had both thoroughly enjoyed it. He told the meeting to 'Think bold, think big and to think of the future as a Parish'. He thanked everyone for all the support he has had over the last ten years.

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C) Electoral Roll report — Rosemary Crafter reported that there were 96 names on the Electoral Roll. 67 are resident in the parish and 29 outside the parish.

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(d) Fabric report—Henrietta Warwick reported that the Fabric Report is in the APCM Document. She also appealed for more help with the running of the church if possible.

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(e) Deanery Synod. The Deanery Synod report is in the document along with all the other parish reports. Clive said that this would be a good opportunity for new to represent Wisborough Green on the Deanery Synod in place of Marion.

6 Stewardship—Jamie said that the church survives on generous giving made by the congregation which was very important.

7 Doris Smallwood asked that the Home groups could be officially listed so that people would know what goes on in the Parish. Clive then listed the various Courses that are held.

Judy Moorey wished that our Mission Partners were better known throughout the Parish. Roland Zilz said that he had reports every month in the Ad Vincula from Family Support #Work but no always from the other two Missions, Church Mission Society and Youth With A Mission.

(a) The meeting concluded with the Grace and closed at 1.00 p.m.

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Mrs Henrietta Warwick, acting Chair of the PCC

Date

St Peter ad Vincula
Parish Church of Wisborough Green

Parochial Church Council of St Peter ad Vincula, Wisborough Green
Registered Charity no. 1133950

Trustees Annual Report for 2025

Structure, Governance and Management

The Parochial Church Council (PCC) is registered with the Charity Commission as required by the Charities Act 2011. Its governing document is the Parochial Church Councils (Powers) Measure 1956.

Membership of the PCC is determined under the Church Representation Rules and consists of certain Ex officio members, the Churchwardens and members of the Deanery or General Synods together with members of the church who are elected by the Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM). Members of the congregation are warmly encouraged to stand for election to the PCC and an attempt is made to ensure a balance of skills and experience where possible.

The primary objective of St Peter's PCC is the promotion of the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to the doctrines and practices of the Church of England. The PCC has the responsibility of co-operating with the incumbent, the Rev Clive Jenkins, in promoting in the ecclesiastical parish the whole mission of the Church pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical.

The PCC oversees the general financial dimension of the work of St Peter's by monitoring income and expenditure, budgeting, maintaining appropriate financial controls and coordinating the annual Christian Stewardship review of donations through planned giving.

The Standing and Finance Committee is made up of the Incumbent, the Churchwardens, the PCC Secretary and Treasurer. It meets between meetings of the PCC and sets the agenda for the next full PCC meeting. It has the power to transact the business of the PCC between its meetings, subject to any directions given by the Council.

During the year, the following served as members of the PCC:

EX OFFICIO MEMBERS:

The Reverend Clive Jenkins	*Incumbent and PCC Chairman until retirement in May 2025.*
Mrs. Henrietta Warwick	*Churchwarden and acting Chair from June 2025*

ELECTED MEMBERS (and responsibilities):

Mrs. Sue Nicholls	*PCC Secretary*
Mr. Jamie Daniell	*Treasurer*
Mrs Gill Cooper	*Deputy Churchwarden*
***Mrs*. Rosemary Crafter**	*Electoral Roll Officer /Safeguarding*
Mr. Dave Foxon	*Deputy Churchwarden*
Mr Chris Harris	*Graveyard Records*
Mrs Judy Moorey	*Mission*

Mrs. Suzie Moseley
Mr. Brian Spicer Deanery Synod Representative
Mr. Roland Zilz *Communications*

Aspects of Church Life at St Peter's

Prayer:
Individual and corporate spirituality through prayer groups, quiet mornings, intercessions, retreats, and a weekly parish prayer meeting which specifically prays for the life and work of all at St Peter's are encouraged. During 2025 these activities were continued, and a prayer focus meeting took place occasionally.

Worship:
The worship environment and range of services offered is reviewed at intervals, together with an exploration of the liturgical and musical resources, traditional and modern, available. In 2023, the pattern of worship included Sung Communion, All Age Communion and Time for God. Joint services, 'Together at Ten', took place when there was a 5th Sunday in the month and on other occasions, at St Peter ad Vincula Wisborough Green, St John the Baptist, Kirdford and Holy Trinity, Plaistow in turn.

Christian Education:
Through the promotion of daily bible study guides and house study groups, which meet regularly throughout the year, church members are encouraged to grow in faith. The activities of house study groups continued in 2025.

Christian Stewardship:
The teaching and impetus about Christian giving and stewardship of our time and talents, as well as our money is maintained. All are regarded as a trust from God to be utilised in his service. Focus is put on requesting a review of such giving and encouraging new members to give as appropriate. Those who already do so, on a regular basis are acknowledged with grateful thanks. The opportunities for giving have been extended through the use of a card reader, allowing contactless payments to be made whenever the Church building is open.

Young People:
Every opportunity is sought for children and young people to learn and experience Christian life, fellowship and worship through the Time for God service and special family services at Christmas and Easter. There is a strong link with the local primary school which is encouraged to visit the church and hold major festival services there for all the children during term-time. 'Wizzy Tots', the mothers and toddlers' group, has continued to be popular and meets regularly in Church on Thursday mornings. 'Messy Church' took place at Kirdford Village Hall in February, St. Peter's in April, May, August and October and in December at Kelsey Hall in Ifold.

Pastoral Care:
Pastoral care and friendship is offered to those who are housebound or otherwise in need. Newcomers to the village are welcomed and issued with a booklet containing useful information and contact details. A village car and library service is available for those who require it.

St. Peter's Mission Team
There is a focus on mission both in the UK and the wider world, and in 2025 a number of charitable causes were supported ranging from local to international, including the Triple Mission charities - Diocesan Family Support Work, Youth with a Mission in Uganda and CMS in Brazil as well as Chistian Aid.

Social Development:
An attempt is made to develop an enhanced sense of fellowship both within the church community and the village through the organization of a range of social activities. During 20235 Xpresso, the Friday Coffee Morning in Church continued to be well attended, as was the Village Lunch.

General Review of the Year

The Annual Parochial Church Meeting was held on Sunday 6th April 2025. Mrs. Henrietta Warwick was re-elected as Churchwarden.
The Incumbent met regularly with the Churchwarden until his retirement in May. The Standing and Finance Committee meetings, as well as full PCC meetings were held regularly throughout the year.

Church finances continued to be closely monitored and for this, thanks are extended to PCC Treasurer, Mr. Jamie Daniell. Mrs. Zoe Hall, a professional bookkeeper, continued her duties as a financial assistant. The annual accounts, audited by Mr Chris Edwards, together with the Annual Financial Report for 2025 appear elsewhere in this booklet.

It is important to note that the ministry within and beyond St Peter's is a shared enterprise and as such, there are many people who are actively involved – too many to mention by name. Mrs. Sue Nicholls was re-elected as the PCC Secretary and thanks go to her as well as to all the members of the PCC and everyone who shares in the ministry of St Peter's, great or small, as together we discern God's call to us in the service of his Kingdom.

In 2025 there were 85 parishioners on the church electoral roll, 57 members of the Roll were resident in the Parish and 28 outside.

Services

The average weekly attendance in 2025 at services was 59 adults (16+) and 6 children.

Occasional recording and live streaming of services continued in 2025. Thanks are due to Roland Zilz who oversaw these recordings,

During the interregnum there have been regular joint services held at St Peter's as well as St. John the Baptist, Kirdford and Holy Trinity, Plaistow which have been well attended.

The Choir and Music Group continued through 2025 and thanks are due to Director of Music, John Vinall, David Warwick, members of the Choir and the Music group's instrumentalists for the work they put into making sure our services are so enriched by music. Our regular pianist, Gill Parish, who died at the end of 2025 will be sorely missed.

In Christian Aid Week, a Christian Aid Breakfast was held in Church during the Xpresso session on Friday 16th May and was well supported.

At the Village Fete on August Bank Holiday Monday we were able to have a stall promoting some of the activities of St. Peter's.

Holy Week and Easter saw us a variety of services across the Benefice. Our Harvest thanksgiving service was held on Sunday 28th September with donations of non-perishable food items going to Family Support Work.
Christmas services included a Christingle service, our annual Carol Service and Christmas Eve Crib Service all of which were well attended, as well as a service on Christmas morning.

Annual Financial Report

of

The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of St Peter Ad Vincula, Wisborough Gree**n**

St Peter Ad Vincula Church, Wisborough Green, RH14 ODZ

Registered Charity No. 1133950

For the year ended 31st December 2025

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The financial statements of the PCC have been prepared in accordance with the Charities Act 2011 and current Church Accounting Regulations, using the Receipts and Payments basis.

TREASURER'S REPORT

For the financial year ended 31st December 2025
To the APCM of St Peter Ad Vincula
Wisborough Green

The accounts for the year ended 31st December 2025 were prepared by Tulip Accounting and independently examined for Charity Commission requirements by Mr Chris Edwards, whose certificate is attached, together with copies of the accounts.

2025, once again produced satisfactory results in terms of maintaining the financial position, showing an operating surplus of £11,875, as against a deficit of £4,222 the previous year.

The principal reason for this was that, whilst costs remained steady, income increased by over £16,000 for the year. Revenue from special services was up by £5,000 and an abnormal adjustment for gains/losses on investments over previous years contributed a nominal increase of £9,500.

To have maintained our income during a period of interregnum speaks volumes about the consistent support received from regular givers in particular, and a big thank you is due to everyone for this. Various fundraising activities, such as a concert in the Autumn and the return of the Christmas Tree Festival in December, are planned for 2026 which we hope will provide a boost to the income side of the equation – as well as being a lot of fun.

We are now fully up and running with the software package that has been installed and this has helped to minimise outside costs. However, we remain very grateful for the input willingly made by Tulip Accounting when required. We also thank Chris Edwards for his usual rigorous independent examination of the accounts for Charity Commission purposes.

Jamie Daniell
April 2026

Notes to the Annual Financial Report

3 Analysis of total received

	Unrestricted				Total	*Total*
	General Fund	Designated Funds	*Restricted Fund/s*	*Endowed Fund/s*	All Funds 2025	*All Funds 2024*
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Planned giving (excl. tax refunds)	£37,728.24	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	**£37,728.24**	*£50,020.73*
Gift Aid Envelopes	£1,454.80	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	**£1,454.80**	*£2,636.10*
Loose cash collections	£7,548.45	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	**£7,548.45**	*£5,952.86*
Donations	£2,805.50	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	**£2,805.50**	*£5,020.50*
Gift Aid recovered	£12,926.74	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	**£12,926.74**	*£4,267.53*
Legacies	£7,014.40	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	**£7,014.40**	*£0.00*
Building project	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	**£0.00**	*£0.00*
Special collections	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	**£0.00**	*£0.00*
Grants (Parish Council Churchyard)	£0.00	£0.00	£3,211.00	£0.00	**£3,211.00**	*£1,500.00*
Donations and legacies	**£69,478.13**	**£0.00**	**£3,211.00**	**£0.00**	**£72,689.13**	*£69,397.72*
Fees for weddings & funerals	£13,802.05	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	**£13,802.05**	*£9,286.00*
Charitable activities	**£13,802.05**	**£0.00**	**£0.00**	**£0.00**	**£13,802.05**	*£9,286.00*
Christmas Cards	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	**£0.00**	*£0.00*
Fundraising Activities	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	**£0.00**	*£380.00*
Misc Sales	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	**£0.00**	*£0.00*
Open Gardens	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	**£0.00**	*£0.00*
*Parish Organisations	£10,785.50	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	**£10,785.50**	*£9,477.61*
Parish magazine advertising	£7,955.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	**£7,955.00**	*£7,705.00*
Harvest Festival and Supper	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	**£0.00**	*£0.00*
Wizzy Tots	£40.10	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	**£40.10**	*£158.45*
Venue hire (church)	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	**£0.00**	*£0.00*
Other trading activities	**£18,780.60**	**£0.00**	**£0.00**	**£0.00**	**£18,780.60**	*£17,721.06*
Bank & CBF deposit interest	£1,908.63	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	**£1,908.63**	*£1,846.09*
M&G investment bond dividend	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	**£0.00**	*£0.00*
M & G Capital	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	**£0.00**	*£10,000.00*
Investments	**£1,908.63**	**£0.00**	**£0.00**	**£0.00**	**£1,908.63**	*£11,846.09*
Other receipts	£4,705.03	£0.00	£3,420.00	£0.00	**£8,125.03**	*£772.93*
Unrealised gains/losses on investments	£0.00	£0.00	£9,622.05	£0.00	**£9,622.05**	
Money Raised for Other Charities	£0.00	£0.00	£706.82	£0.00	**£706.82**	*£336.50*
Other receipts	**£4,705.03**	**£0.00**	**£13,748.87**	**£0.00**	**£18,453.90**	***£1,109.43***
Total received on all funds	**£108,674.44**	**£0.00**	**£16,959.87**	**£0.00**	**£125,634.31**	*£109,360.30*

Notes to the Annual Financial Report

Analysis of total paid:

	Unrestricted				Total	*Total*
	General Fund	Designated Funds	*Restricted Fund/s*	*Endowed Fund/s*	All Funds 2025	*All Funds 2024*
	£	£	£	£	£	*£*
Generating Funds	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	**£0.00**	*£0.00*
Harvest Flower Festival and Supper	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	**£0.00**	*£0.00*
Lunch Club	£2,829.27	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	**£2,829.27**	*£3,407.44*
Xpresso	£337.98	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	**£337.98**	*£387.15*
Christmas Tree Festival	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	**£0.00**	*£0.00*
Open Gardens	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	**£0.00**	*£0.00*
Cost of raising funds	**£3,167.25**	**£0.00**	**£0.00**	**£0.00**	**£3,167.25**	*£3,794.59*
Charitable grants and donations	£4,754.06	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	**£4,754.06**	*£4,852.74*
Parish share to Chichester Diocese	£40,723.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	**£40,723.00**	*£40,723.00*
Organist, Choir and Music	£2,322.50	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	**£2,322.50**	*£1,662.50*
Ministry Costs	£1,999.60	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	**£1,999.60**	*-£374.47*
Mission & evangelism costs	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	**£0.00**	*£0.00*
Messy Church, Wizzy Tots , Youth	£119.62	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	**£119.62**	*£149.60*
Utilities including insurance (church & vicarage)	£8,147.62	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	**£8,147.62**	*£8,822.96*
Printing, photocopy, office expense	£7,831.56	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	**£7,831.56**	*£3,503.23*
Other regular church running costs	£5,759.74	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	**£5,759.74**	*£3,869.08*
Wedding & Funeral Fees to Diocese	£3,558.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	**£3,558.00**	*£2,310.00*
Council Tax	£1,684.57	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	**£1,684.57**	*£1,875.51*
New building work	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	**£0.00**	*£20,581.46*
Flowers	£2,846.33	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	**£2,846.33**	*£2,510.68*
Bell ringers	£840.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	**£840.00**	*£600.00*
Charitable costs	**£80,586.60**	**£0.00**	**£0.00**	**£0.00**	**£80,586.60**	*£91,086.29*
Church yard and Clock	£7,383.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	**£7,383.00**	*£9,738.77*
Magazine printing & expense	£6,562.63	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	**£6,562.63**	*£7,286.89*
Organ Maintenance	£523.20	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	**£523.20**	*£0.00*
Church maint. And redecoration	£12,010.30	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	**£12,010.30**	*£1,335.85*
Bank Charges	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	**£0.00**	*£0.00*
Other trading costs	£3,526.13	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	**£3,526.13**	*£340.75*
Trading costs	**£30,005.26**	**£0.00**	**£0.00**	**£0.00**	**£30,005.26**	*£18,702.26*
Total paid on all funds	**£113,759.11**	**£0.00**	**£0.00**	**£0.00**	**£113,759.11**	*£113,583.14*

Summary of Financial Receipts and Payments

	Unrestricted				*Total*	*Total*
	General Fund	Designated Funds	*Restricted Fund/s*	*Endowed Fund/s*	All Funds 2025	*All Funds 2024*
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Income and endowments from:						
Donations and legacies	£69,478.13	£0.00	£3,211.00	£0.00	£72,689.13	£69,397.72
Charitable activities	£13,802.05	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£13,802.05	£9,286.00
Other trading activities	£18,780.60	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£18,780.60	£17,721.06
Investments	£1,908.63	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£1,908.63	£11,846.09
Other receipts	£4,705.03	£0.00	£13,748.87	£0.00	£18,453.90	£1,109.43
Internal Transfers (not new income)	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Total received	**£108,674.44**	**£0.00**	**£16,959.87**	**£0.00**	**£125,634.31**	**£109,360.30**
Expenditure on:						
Cost of raising funds	£3,167.25	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£3,167.25	£3,794.59
Charitable costs	£80,586.60	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£80,586.60	£70,504.83
Building works	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£20,581.46
Trading costs	£30,005.26	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£30,005.26	£18,702.26
Other payments	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Total paid	**£113,759.11**	**£0.00**	**£0.00**	**£0.00**	**£113,759.11**	**£113,583.14**
Reconciliation of funds:						
Net income or (net expenditure)	-£5,084.67	£0.00	£16,959.87	£0.00	£11,875.20	-£4,222.84
Transfers between funds	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Net movement in funds	**-£5,084.67**	**£0.00**	**£16,959.87**	**£0.00**	**£11,875.20**	**-£4,222.84**
Bank accounts at 1 January 2025	£32,219.52	0	0	0	£32,219.52	£36,442.36
Current account at 31 December 2025	£5,546.34	0	0	0	£5,546.34	2302.98
Reserve account at 31 December 2025	£28,909.17	0	0	0	£28,909.17	29916.54
Bank accounts at 31 December	£34,455.51				£34,455.51	£32,219.52
Cash Movement	£2,235.99				£2,235.99	-£4,222.84

Statement of Assets and Liabilities

	Unrestricted				*Total*	*Total*
	General Fund	Designated Funds	*Restricted Fund/s*	*Endowed Fund/s*	All Funds 2025	*All Funds 2024*
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Assets:						
Bank current a/c 79809642	£5,546.34	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	**£5,546.34**	*£2,302.98*
Bank reserve a/c 79830846	£28,909.17	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	**£28,909.17**	*£29,916.54*
PCC-owned bank balance	£34,455.51	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	**£34,455.51**	*£32,219.52*
Diocesan Assigned Fees received	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	**£0.00**	*£0.00*
Total bank and deposit accounts	**£34,455.51**	**£0.00**	**£0.00**	**£0.00**	**£34,455.51**	*£32,219.52*
Debtors						
Wedding fees not yet received	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	**£0.00**	*£0.00*
Local Authority grant for churchyard	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	**£0.00**	*£0.00*
Gift Aid recoverable	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	**£0.00**	*£0.00*
Debtors	**£0.00**	**£0.00**	**£0.00**	**£0.00**	**£0.00**	*£0.00*
110001592S CBF Investment Fund (Luxford)	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£49,768.59	£49,768.59	***£51,841.09***
110001149F CBF Fixed Interest Fund (Luxford)	£2,600.15	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£2,600.15	*£2,538.02*
Investment assets at market value	**£2,600.15**	**£0.00**	**£0.00**	**£49,768.59**	**£52,368.74**	*£54,379.11*
M&G Fixed Int Chari Bond	£0.00	£81,104.26	£0.00	£0.00	£81,104.26	*£69,471.83*
Investment assets at cost	**£0.00**	**£81,104.26**	**£0.00**	**£0.00**	**£81,104.26**	*£69,471.83*
	£0.00	**£0.00**	**£0.00**	**£0.00**	**£0.00**	*£0.00*
Total assets	**£37,055.66**	**£81,104.26**	**£0.00**	**£49,768.59**	**£167,928.51**	*£156,070.46*
Liabilities:						
Unpresented Cheques	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	**£0.00**	*£0.00*
Bal. from Drainage Project	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	**£0.00**	*£0.00*
Grave Yard Maint	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	**£0.00**	*£0.00*
Unpaid Diocesan fees for weddings/funerals	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	**£0.00**	*£0.00*
Total liabilities	**£0.00**	**£0.00**	**£0.00**	**£0.00**	**£0.00**	*£0.00*

CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees	The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of St Peter Ad Vincula, Wisborough Green		
On accounts for the year ended	31st December 2025	**Charity no (if any)**	1133950
Set out on pages			

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended **31/12/2025**.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination (other than that disclosed below *) which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

** Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

Signed:		**Date:**	16/3/26
Name:	Christopher E Edwards		
Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):			
Address:	Durbans, Roundstreet Common, Wisborough Green, RH14 0AR		

Electoral Roll

The Electoral Roll was completely revised in March 2025. The new roll has 85 names. Of these 57 are resident in the Parish and 28 live outside the Parish boundary.

Rosemary Crafter
Electoral Roll Officer

Fabric Report 2025

Heating

Following the failure of the boiler at the beginning of 2025 a temporary system using a hot aire blower was rigged up while alternatives were considered. It was decided by the PCC to replace the boiler with a new, more f=efficient oil fired boiler as there were no other feasible alternatives.

Routine Repairs

Repairs have been carried out to the outside lights as well as regular maintenance of the interior lights. One gatepost on the Billingshurst Road boundary of the Churchyard was replaced. Regular servicing of the clock, fire extinguishers, organ and water heater took place during 2025.

Cracks in Chancel

These continue to be monitored but no further action has been deemed necessary by the Goddard Partnership.

Churchyard

- JWS Landscapes of Wisborough Green continued to cut the grass throughout 2025. Their work has been very satisfactory.
- The 'Task Force' group continued to meet on two Tuesday mornings each month when possible, to keep other areas in the churchyard under control and tidy. Thanks are due to those who volunteer to do essential ork on a regular basis.

The Future

- The Church architect, Simon Goddard, completed the Quinquennial Inspection and submitted his report. Work to rectify areas needing maintenance will be carried out in 2026.
- The work to improve the safety of the steps from the North door will be carried out in 2026.

Many thanks to all who volunteer to keep the Church and surrounding area looking beautiful. Their work is greatly appreciated by visitors and the congregation.

Henrietta Warwick
(Churchwarden)

Petworth Deanery Synod Report

I have attended two meetings now.

In October 2025 I attended St. Mary's Church in Petworth where there was a presentation on Friends of Chichester Cathedra. There are 800 members with a subscription of £25 per year.

There is to be a Pilgrimage walk from Egdean to Chichester Cathedral, 19 miles, in the Spring of 2026.

The new Archdeacon, Tom Carpenter, introduced himself.

Brian Spicer
Deanery Synod Representative

OTHER ANNUAL REPORTS

(in alphabetical order)

BELLRINGERS REPORT FOR 2025

We are very short of ringers—at present only two in the parish—and are, therefore, reliant on ringers from other churches, particularly Kirdford and Billingshurst, in order to ring. With their help we were able to ring for seven weddings during the year and also to ring on the fourth Sunday of the month for the All Age Communion service. The bells were rung for the anniversary of VE Day in May and half muffled on Remembrance Sunday.

Regular practice sessions have recommenced on the second and fourth Mondays of the month with teachers available to train new or inexperienced ringers.

We have had several groups of visiting ringers during the year and they are always complementary about the bells. Visiting ringers rang a successful quarter peal on 26th July.

Henrietta Warwick

COMMUNICATIONS

AD VINCULA MAGAZINE

2025 saw some changes in the Ad Vincula Team. Firstly, with the departure of Clive and Marion mid-year, we lost our Assistant Editor. Then, in September, we welcomed a new Advertising Coordinator – Rachel Sugden. This was a great relief to me as I had been acting Advertising Coordinator (as well as Editor) since the end of 2023! Finally, towards the end of the year, Roger Moody, who had been responsible for postal copies and distributing the magazine around the various pubs and businesses for many years, announced he would be leaving the village early 2026 and needed to pass the baton to someone new. As an interim step, Jan Robinson (Roger's next-door neighbour) agreed to take over his duties until someone new could be found.

We are very grateful to Marion and Roger for their past service and to Rachel and Jan for joining the team. We are also, as ever, very grateful to our Distribution Team, comprising – Henrietta Warwick (Magazine receipt and sorting), Rosemary Crafter (Distribution Coordinator) and a large and dedicated team of "Deliverers". I am very grateful for the hard work put in by all the team members but, especially, for all our deliverers, both regular and temporary, for ensuring that the printed copies of Ad Vincula could continue to be made available to each household throughout the year. As usual, an electronic version was placed monthly on the church website and links to this were published on various social media sites.

Throughout the year, the magazine size ranged from 48 to 60 pages, the latter being due to the decision to produce a joint December/January edition at the end of 2025 rather have the usual panic just before Christmas.

For advertising renewals for March 2025 onwards, as is usual, we lost a few advertisers from the previous year but gained a few extras as the year went on. As a result, the number of advertising pages was reduced from just over 15 in 2024 to just over 14 by March 2025 but grew to nearly 16 pages by the end of 2025. The number of magazines printed were kept at 850 throughout the year, enabling copies to be placed in local pubs and businesses as well as being delivered to every household in Wisborough Green (a total of approximately 700 households).

The magazine continued to be printed by Bishops Printers near Portsmouth and the quality of the print remained at a very high standard. Throughout 2025, Bishops held their prices once again which meant we ended the year with a reasonable surplus.

An additional source of income comes from those wishing to take advantage of our useful distribution network, by placing an 'insert' into the magazine for which we charge £100 a time.

A summary of the 2025 financial situation is given below:

Ad Vincula Magazine 2025 Finances:

Item	**Income**	**Expenditure**	**Surplus**
Advertisers:	£7,538.00		
Inserts (Parish Council):	£500.00		
Printing:	-	£6,294.00	
Other Expenditure (Adobe Licence)		£ 346.63	
Totals:	**£8,038.00**	**£6,640.63**	**£1,397.37**

CHURCH WEBSITE

https://www.wisboroughgreenparishchurch.org.uk/
The website is maintained by Roland Zilz and provides comprehensive information about the church and its activities. The costs of hosting the website (£112.80) and renewing our two domain names, wisboroughgreenparishchurch.co.uk (£18.00) and stpeterswg.org.uk, (£18.00) have increased slightly since 2024 by a total of £9.60 making the total for the year now **£148.80**. No other costs were incurred during 2025.

The new website, running the latest Joomla Content Management System (CMS) or "operating system", finally went live in June 2025.

SOCIAL MEDIA SITES

Church Facebook Site - https://www.facebook.com/stpeterwg/

A Facebook page for the church has been in existence since early 2016 with Marion Jenkins and Roland Zilz as Administrators. Since the last report, the number of "followers" has increased slightly from 208 to 218. There is clearly a potential for using Facebook as a vehicle for disseminating information and for engaging with people, but it needs to be kept up to date with interesting posts to keep them engaged. Sharing posts to the wider Wisborough Green Noticeboard increases exposure to nearly 5,000 people.

Church Instagram Account - https://www.instagram.com/stpeterwg/

A Church Instagram Account was established in August 2017 in an attempt to reach those who don't use Facebook for whatever reason. Since the last report, the number of "followers" has decreased slightly from 54 to 52!

Church YouTube Channel –
https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC-DFmoSoRRC1l5NK7jrvIXw

During 2025, it was decided to only "live-stream" services if requested, partly due to the potential unreliability of the internet connection. Other services were recorded, later edited and then uploaded to YouTube. Some were made "public", if it was deemed that there was a general interest to do so, the remainder were "unlisted" and a link sent out via email to view.

There were only two services live-streamed in 2025 – both Memorial Services – Shirley White's Memorial Service (15 May) and a special Memorial Service for the victims of the 1975 Dunsfold Air Crash (15 November) with 75 and 574 views respectively. There were another 8 services recorded, edited and links sent out during 2025, including Robert Armistead's Memorial Service on 18 March (50 views), Clive & Marion's Farewell on 18 May (23 views) and the Christmas Carol Service on 21 December (Public - 92 views)..

No costs are directly associated with any of the above social media sites.

Roland Zilz

FLOWER ARRANGERS REPORT 2025

The flower team had another busy creative year in 2025, both individually decorating the church each week for regular Sunday services and coming together as a team for the Church Festivals of Easter, Harvest and Christmas. Easter saw the church filled with fragrant flowers, such as Narcissi, blossoms, Forget-me-knots, Muscari and Hellebores. Harvest was purely foraged foliage, fruits and berries from our gardens and hedgerows, with no need to order in any flowers. Christmas saw both flowers and winter foliage, beries, re-cycled fit cones etc. We were also able to re-use the wonderful natural crown which was made by one of the team for the coronation a couple of years ago.

We had a very busy start to the year with 3 of us making over 70 flower posies to be handed out during the Mothering Sunday service. We then had Easter, 3 large weddings and VE Day, all within a week of each other. We were also asked to do the flowers for a big funeral and the Dunsfold Memorial service. It is always an honour and a pleasure to do the flowers for such important life events.

The urns we purchased have proved to be very useful and popular, particularly for weddings. We continue to be as eco-friendly with our mechanics and use as much foraged foliage as we can, to avoid the need and expense to order this in.

Many thanks to all the wonderful creative team and we would welcome anyone who would like to join us.

Katy Christopherson

HOME GROUP & CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Our church family is a large group of people meeting and worshipping together. Our Home Group is different, it gives an opportunity to share our outstanding (or mis-understanding) of scripture in an atmosphere of fellowship and confidence. It is a time to meet in a small group with like minded people, and possibly ask questions that we didn't want to mention on Sunday. One of the most interesting discussion series was looking at "Unsung Gifts" the spirit at work in the New Testament. Nick Fawcett took us through subjects of Encouragement, listening, ready to pray, and etc. A most interesting course looking at Bible readings, comments on a theme, and discussion questions.

We meet in a members home on Wednesday evenings at 7.30 pm.

Doris Smallwood. 01403 700606. Doris,smallwood@cloud.com

Doris Smallwood

HOUSE GROUP 2025

Our House group (there are 10 of us) meets roughly every two weeks on a Tuesday morning at 10.30 am. We have been studying various courses over the past year which have included a book about facing our doubts and another about our faith as we get older and hopefully wiser. During Advent we followed a course based on the four songs of Christmas.

Sadly we lost two of our long standing and very valued members of our group, Shirley White and Gill Parish. We miss them very much and especially for their love and friendship.

Although we follow and discuss Christian courses, our group has always been much more than just a study group—we all offer each other love and support as we face the ups and downs of live.

Helen Vause

MESSY CHURCH 2025

Messy Church sessions have continued to run across the Benefice during the year and took place in Kirdford Village Hall in February, at St. Peter's in April, May, August and October and in Kelsey Hall, Ifold in December. Sessions start with breakfast and include a variety of craft activities linked to a theological theme. In 2025 themes included Lent, Easter, Ascension, Love, Light and Christmas.

Thanks are due to Susan Weston for taking on the running of Messy Church following Clive and Marion's retirement and for all the volunteers involved in planning and running activities, serving refreshments and registering participants.

Many thanks to everyone involved with the running of Messy Church and all you do to make the sessions a great success. If anyone would like to join the team, please let Marion know.

Henrietta Warwick

MISSION ACTION PLAN

The Mission Action Plan is discussed at each PCC meeting and reviewed biannually to assess what progress has been made to achieve its aims.

The plan was reviewed at the PCC meeting in March and it was agreed only to make minor changes with a more thorough review planned once a new incumbent has been appointed.

Over the last year participation has been encouraged in Church led activities by a wider section of the community, through Wizzy Tots, Xpresso and the Village Lunch. In addition, Time for God services and Messy Church sessions have been successful in drawing in families. The profile of the Church has been raised through having a stall at the annual August Bank Holiday Fete, incorporating a Noah's Ark game, which generates interest from the wider community.

Henrietta Warwick

MUSIC REPORT 2025

Little to report this last year, only great sadness.

We lost an invaluable member of the church music community when Gill Parish died on the last day of the year.

The choir is now seriously depleted and we have to face the fact that we may have to worship without the support of a choir in the near future.

I am so grateful to the loyal choir members who still attend faithfully and give their support and skills to the worship of this church. We are one of the few local parishes that still enjoys the services of a choir and its loss would be very sad. Without new recruits this may be inevitable.

The organ is in good shape although, sadly, it's only used for one Sunday a month.

My thanks again to all the choir members, to Henrietta and David for their work and to Miles for his visual presentations which we should never take for granted

John Vinal

THE MUSIC GROUP

The music group continues to contribute to services on the second and fourth Sundays. We will sadly miss Gill Parish, who has been our keyboard player for many years. Annette Clifford has also decided that she cannot travel from Chichester any longer for the fourth Sunday services. The group is, therefore, somewhat depleted at the end of the year. The group took on additional services including the deanery confirmation service in the early part of the year when John Vinall was unavailable due to his hip operation.

As a result of the revised pattern of services during the interregnum, John only has one 'irgan and choir service' and as a result can take on the keyboard work for the fourth Sunday. On the second Sunday we are working without keyboard.

On two occasions, whilst John was on holiday, I have provided the music using my computer music package. This has worked reasonably well through the excellent sound system in church. It is not an ideal way of providing the music but it is better than nothing.

My thanks to Jamie, Rachel, Rosemary and Bob for their continued support and particularly to John Vinall for his support.

As ever I would be pleased to hear from anybody who would like to join our music making in these services either regularly or just on an occasional basis.

David Warwick

PRAYER GROUP

The Prayer Chain continued to operate for emergency 'arrow prayers' for people in distress of one sort or another e.g. hospital operations, bereavement, relationship difficulties. These are always completely confidential. Members of the Prayer Chain are displayed on the noticeboard in Church and anyone can be contacted at any time.

The Fish Net Prayers on the font in Church has been used continually.

The Tuesday Prayer Group met throughout the year at Clock House at 4.30 to 5.00 p.m. For more information please telephone Wendy Duff on 01403 700295.

Wendy Duff

SACRISTANS REPORT

There are currently 6 team members who do their best to ensure that all is ready for the celebration of Eucharist whenever it takes place. We would be pleased to know of any others who would be willing to join our team. While we are experiencing an interregnum we are managing very well. However, when a new Priest is appointed to our church we may find we have more services to cover. Then it would be wonderful to have more willing hands to help us.

The Sacristan makes the alter ready for the service, puts out the communion vessels and linen; lights the candles and prepares the bread and wine. After the service is finished the communion vessels are washed and cleared away. It is a privilege to serve in any way at church, but we are, never-the-less, appreciative of those who take on this particular service.

It is wonderful to have a team of people, working as sacristans, who are so willing and capable. We owe them our grateful thanks for the work that they do. Thank you.

Jean Vinall

Sacristan Team Leader

SAFEGUARDING REPORT

Safeguarding continues to be discussed at each PCC meetings and the Parish Safeguarding Officer ensures that all Diocesan guidance is discussed and implememted. During the year Henrietta and Rosemary completed the required Leadership training plus other modules. Most PCC members have now completed the new recommendation of Foundation level Safeguarding training.

DBS checks are carried out for all those involved in groups within the parish working with children and vulnerable adults. New volunteers who have not had a recent DBS check will be contacted by the Parish Safeguarding Officer.

During 2025 in accordance with Diocesan guidance, the Parish Dashboard was set up, and we have reached level 2. This is an online tool to monitor Safeguarding training, policies etc..

We continue to have a Safeguarding statement on the front page of the church website with links to the Parish Safeguarding policy statement and contact details for relevant people and organisations with the parish, Diocese and wider community. The Safeguarding Policy is also on display in the Church porch and the Safeguarding Handbook is in the Vicar's vestry.

Rosemary Crafter
Safeguarding Officer

ST PETER'S LUNCHEON CLUB

The Luncheon Club has continued to enjoy delicious meals cooked by our caterer, Kate Knight, and her team. Ranging from Roast Pork, Beef Stew and Dumplings, Coq au Vin, Salmon and Chicken Salads, Lasagne and salad. Served with vegetables, a dessert and a glass of wine or soft drink.

Grateful thanks to all who help, which includes putting up the tables and laying them etc. and of course to our Master of Ceremonies, Richard Parish.

There were two donations from the Billingshurst Lions Club, which were very gratefully received.

A big thank you to all who help make the lunches such a happy and enjoyable occasion, Especially Kate and her team who do the cooking. Roger for organising the wines and all the ladies and men who set up and lay the tables. And, of course, the helpers with the "famous" raffle, not forgetting our masters of ceremonies, Richard and Clive.

Gillian Gough

ST. PETER'S PASTORAL CARE TEAM

It has been a quiet year. Less than half a dozen phone calls requiring help for those in need.

The car service is still used and always needing more drivers. Thank you to those who do volunteer to drive.

We are always in need of more drivers. The people who use the car service are always very grateful.

Thank you to Lariesa Jarvis for answering phone calls. Also many thanks to Jennie Burr for organising the car service.

Suzanne Mosley

ST. PETER'S TRIPLE MISSION

THIS PAST YEAR THERE SEEM TO HAVE BEEN MORE CHANGES AND CHALLENGES.

All charities have found new government rules difficult. In the past, Family Support Work, has raised funds from national fundraising but this has not been possible with the resulting loss of practitioners. This means that volunteers are needed more. In spite of this FSW continues its wonderful work with vulnerable families. Our food basket is well supported.

Our 'new' Church Mission Society partners in Brazil are a a joy. Andy and Kati are working in Florianopolis with the church and in prisons. Andy managed to come to St. John's, Kirdford to preach in August, and the who family hope to come in August 2026.

Our YWAM link with Rachel and Eric has sadly discontinued. Rachel and the family are now in Chichester and we continue our personal support and friendship. We are so pleased to welcome our new Ugandan mission—BusogaTrust. Busoga was started by Canon Andrew Pearson, partnering with local rural communities to bring sustainable fresh water supplies.

Thank you for your love, prayers and support

Judy Moorey

WIZZY TOTS – ST PETER'S TODDLER GROUP

Wizzy Tots continues to run in St. Peter's Church on Thursdays mornings during term time. Towards the end of the year the start time was brought forward at the request of the parents and the session now runs from 9.30—11.30 a.m. The children are provided with a variety of toys suitable for ages 0—5 including role play and small world toys, ride on toys and other activities to develop physical skills such as a slide and pop up tents. Fine motor skills are developed through the use of jigsaws and playdough and mark making is encouraged with drawing and colouring.

Children are offered a snack of fruit and a plain biscuit with a drink of water half way through the session and adults are provided with hot drinks. The sessions conclude with music time, singing and playing percussion instruments.

The group is welcoming to all parents and carers and friendships are developed between the children and the parents, grandchildren and relations who bring them.

Many thanks to Judy Moorey for helping with the running of the group and the provision of the snacks and drinks.

Henrietta Warwick

XPRESSO

Our Friday coffee morning continued to be well attended by people of all ages in 2025, with churchgoers, villagers and dog walkers coming to enjoy tea, coffee and home-made cakes in church.

When Clive retired, Brian, Mike and Jeremy took over cooking bacon butties on the first Friday of each month and we thank them for providing this popular addition to the menu.

We are grateful to Gillian for ordering stocks as required and to all the team for this important outreach activity.

All proceeds from Xpresso support our Triple Mission Charities.

Rosemary Crafter



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